The Gatekeeper

The offical newsletter of the

Barony of Unser Hafen

September 2025

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Dearest Unser Hafen, we hope these words find you well!

First a few changeovers to recognize:

A lovely time was had observing all the ranged martial activities at St. Sebastians - especially getting to spend some time with the archers at the Eastern end of Our Barony. Among them we chose our new archery champion. Join Us in congratulating m'Lord Hans Lieb as our new Warden! A deep gratitude is owed to Lord Alain du Chateau for helping to grow our far flung archery community, and as he stepped down as Warden he was granted the honor to bear the badge of a Guardian of the Portcullis.

Please also join Us in thanking Lady Dagny Innaldi for navigating the ever changing role that is a Social Media Officer. We have thankfully found and approved her replacement. Once her warrant is finalized Lady Lewena de Gaweye will be stepping in as Unser Hafen's Social Media Officer. We are excited to see how she will grow the office and are excited to support her as she supports Unser Hafen.

Coming up soon is Jotunnstaor II! We are greatly looking forward to a weekend of rattan and rhyme where we will select a new Defender and Pencerdd. We will be hosting a Baronesses' Tea for the entertainment of His Majesty, our visiting Cousins and any who wish to join us for refreshments and conversation as we watch the tournaments. Be sure to pre-register for easy check in and sign up to help where you can with.

We look forward to a weekend of music, fun and fighting with you!

In Love and Service,

Kitta and Safiyya

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Seneschal's Sentiments

Greetings Unser Hafen!

Fall is slowly approaching! With that, thoughts of cloaks and velvet. And the last camping event of the season.

Jotunnstaor II will take place on September 12-14 at LCCC in Wyoming (the old Glory site). There will be heavy fighting, bardic and other shenanigans, ending in participating baronies choosing their Heavy and Bardic Champions.

On September 20th , there will be a demo at MeadKrieger Meadery in Loveland. Come join Barbarian Night!

Unser Hafen made a good show at St. Sebastian's Archery, with Hans of the House of the Grey Ghost becoming our new Archery Warden.

Our monthly meetings will continue to be virtual. The first Quarterly Gathering at 3 Margaritas was a lot of fun. A little meeting, a lot of food and tons of fun. We've come up with a schedule for future gatherings: Nov 19 in Fort Collins, Feb 18 in Greeley and then back to Loveland on May 20. All at the 3 Margaritas in those cities. They have plenty of room and great service. And the food's good too.

The Barony of al-Barran will be hosting the A&S Collegium and The Shire of Draca-Mor will be hosting S.T.A.G (Summer Tournament and Games) in September, followed by A Sworded Affair and Outlands Fall Crown Tournament in October.

For more information on these or any other events, details are available on the Outlands and Unser Hafen calendars.

Until we meet again, I remain yours in service,

Meadhbh

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Herald's Call

Hello, good folk of Unser Hafen!

I hope the wet weather has been treating everyone kindly. With the relative quiet of the past month, I'm excited to put forth a heraldic project of mine: a names pronunciation guide!

heralds and anyone else who needs (or wants) to shout the names of the populace at a loud volume. I've had quite a few pronunciation fumbles myself, which may always happen, but I'd still like to improve my skills as well as provide a resource for the Barony as a whole.

The guide will have quick reference pages for popular languages/cultures within our group, but I'd also like to compile phonetic references for as many gentles' names as possible within Unser Hafen. If I come up to you at a future event and ask about your name's spelling and pronunciation, don't worry; this is why! Some gentles may not pronounce their names exactly as written in their persona's language, either, so I want to check with everyone in-person to make sure I'm recording your name in the way you'd prefer.

I will also announce that I am in search of a deputy! If you're interested in learning about anything or everything that heralds do, please message me, and I'd be happy to have you. I will also be present at Champions should you have any consultation-related questions for me.

Yours in service,

Hilarion Barbican

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Scribal Notes

September's **Scribal Night** will be on the third Monday, September 15th!

As always, dinner will be available at 6pm and project space/class time at 630 pm. If you would like to partake of dinner and have any food restrictions or allergies, please let Regalis know so she can plan accordingly. Or if you would like to provide dinner, volunteers are always appreciated!

Assignments for Northern Baronial Champions (Jotunnstaor II) ! We have several baronial scroll assignments available - please message Regalis asap (scribe@unserhafen.org or via FB or Discord) if you would like an assignment.

Deputies! No artistic skill required for the office. Message Regalis to learn more. You can contact her at scribe@unserhafen.org, via the Book of Faces or Discord, or at any local event.

If there is a topic you would love to see covered at future Scribal Nights, please do not hesitate to share! Please email scribe@unserhafen.org with your ideas!

Yours in Service,
Regalis dei Falchi & Galen FitzThomas

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Fighter Practice

And A&S Gathering

Sundays
2:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Dwayne Webster Veterans Park
400-422 W Eisenhower Blvd,
Loveland CO 80537

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Medieval Night

Locust Cidery

First Monday of every month
6-9 pm at Locust Ciderry,
200 Walnut St, Fort Collins.
Map
Free Admission

garb making, arts and crafts,and general merriment.

Garb is encouraged but not required.

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White Rose Inn

White Rose Inn
On the 2nd Wednesday of every month, the White Rose Inn will open for an evening of warmth and hospitality in Unser Hafen. We are branching out a little this year from food. We may have bardic, crafts, or other topics.

No SCA garb is required (unless noted), and you are welcome to bring along food if you don't have time for dinner. We usually have snacks to share.

The Inn will rotate between Fort Collins, Loveland and Greeley.

September White Rose Inn is still in the works. Please watch the Book of Faces for more information.

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Call for Submissions

Anyone can write for the Gatekeeper!

Do you have an article or story that you would like to share with the populace? Send it to chronicler@unserhafen.org and it will be reviewed for inclusion in the Gatekeeper.

Do you have something to share with the populace concerning an event or activity that you normally post to Facebook? Please forward that information to webminister@unserhafen.org and chronicler@unserhafen.org as well so that it can be posted using all of our communication.

24th,) but are accepted at any time.

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SCA Video Conversations

Greetings from Lady Valerie from Unser Hafen! I have a personal request. Would anyone like to have a video conversation with me about your SCA journey and learning endeavors? These would just be an easier, quieter way to get to know other gentles in the Barony. I can't always make it to the events and it would be nice to meet other gentles who I haven't met before. Or have a more in depth conversation with you.

They can be recorded or not recorded, per your preference. Thinking about 45 minutes to an hour in length. I used a Zoom like app called, Streamyard that is browser based. I can manage one to two conversations a month with my other obligations.

I enjoy learning and would like to talk with other learners. If you are interested, please send me an email at val@valerieflynn.com with the Subject “SCA Video Conversations”. Looking forward to talking with you soon!

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Media Team
Voices in the Box Project

We’d like to thank Lady Laurel for all her hard work behind the scenes for building our beautiful new website! And all the dedicated webminsters and chroniclers before us who served throughout the years.

If you have bookmarks to the old Wix website, please go to https://unserhafen.outlands.org/ and create new bookmarks for your favorite pages.

If you have questions on where something got moved to, please send me an email at webminister@unserhafen.org .

With the fresh new website, we’d like to introduce a new endeavor of the Media Team, The Voices in the Box project!

it be the history of the barony, a bardic contribution or sharing about what you're learning in A&S.

We can record one person a month using our alchemy powers of the aether. Sorry, no editing on this stage is available. Our magic only can do so much. Editing might be available in the future.

If your video wizardry powers are mightier than ours, you're welcome to record and edit your own video to send to the Social Media Officer to post on our YouTube channel and we'll post it on the website too.

Please remember we can't post your video without a media release form. Details will be on the website. And make sure your materials don't violate copyright laws.

We hope to collect a video archives of the lore and legends of our esteemed barony. Exalt our bards and minstrels and learn something new from each others' SCA journeys.

This is where we put the spotlight on you, our marvelous gentles!

Please reach out to us if you have something to share. Whether it be our barony's history, a bardic delight or a helpful thing you learned about. Even a personal story about getting involved in one of the Barony's activities.

Looking forward to hearing your Voices in the Box!

Yours in service,

Lady Valerie and the Media Team

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Volunteer Opportunities

Get to really know your fellow gentles. Participate instead of just attend. Don't just live the dream. Be one of the ones who make the dream a reality.

Why do we help? Because we care. Because we love the game. Because we know we belong and so do you.

We are the doers, we are the makers, we bear the spirit of the Pelican. And so can you!

Build your renown, your competence, skills, confidence and make more friends who have the same chivalrous and generous heart as you.

Check-ins, Event Cooks and staff. There are even some openings in the Media Team.

How do you want to join the team? Let us know! There's room at the table for you too!

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Baronial Goings On

Armoured and Fencing Practice/ A&S Gathering
Sundays,2:00 p.m - 5:00 PM
See Fighter Practice section above for location.
We welcome any and all Arts & Sciences activities, and general SCA socializing!
Updates can be found on the Book of Faces.
Garb is encouraged but not required.

Archery Practice
Outdoor Archery practice will start Saturday, April 5th. Time is from 10 am until noon. Our outdoor location is the Windsor Archery Range at HWY 257 & Poudre Trail Road. (Use “Poudre Trail Road and Colorado 257” in your mapping application.)

Find us in the "Unser Hafen Archers" group on Facebook for any short notice changes to the schedule.

Barbican Office Hours
On hiatus.
Time and place to be determined.
Calligraphy &/or Illumination
Contact: Regalis dei Falchi
Email:scribe@unserhafen.org

Craft Day at Aslief's

Equestrian Practice
Fourth Sunday of every month.
Contact: Lady Cecelia O'Connor
970-420-6652

Scribal Night
Every 3rd Monday at 6:30PM at the home of Lady Regalis dei Falchi, 5318 Ravenswood Lane, Johnstown, CO, (map) or virtually - check the Book of Faces for links to the meetings.

For more information contact scribe@unserhafen.org.

Going on in Sterling

Medieval Night
First Saturday of the month at 6:00pm.
High Plains Dice and Games
100 Broadway Street Suite 12
Sterling, CO 80752
Archery Practice
First Sunday of the month, noon to 4 pm.
North Sterling State Park Range
24005 Co Rd 330
Sterling, CO 80751
For more details, contact Shelbybrandes1@gmail.com or Alan.e.brandes@gmail.com.

Visit the Website for more info,

10 am to 6 pm.
1601 Turkey Walk Trail
Loveland, CO 80537
Bead Making Class with Hanna at October's Craft Day.
See website for more information and maps.

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Disclaimer

Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to try to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

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Upcoming Events

Jotunnstaor II -- Northern Baronial Champions "Of rhymes and rattan"

September 12@5:30 pm - September 14@12:00 pm
LCCC Vedawoo Natural History Site
199 Road 210
Cheyenne, Wyoming 8200

Join us in the Vedawauwoo primitive Wilderness for a weekend of Heavy Fighting, Bardic and Revelry! Participating baronies will select their Heavy and Bardic Champions at this

well as pack out their own trash. Trash bags will be provided. This event will be a celebration of Rattan Heavy Combat and Bardic Performances. Pack your helm, tune your Lute, and come join us for a weekend of revelry in the beautiful Vedawauwoo Wilderness.
Event Site

Barbarian Night Demo at MeadKrieger Meadery

September 20 @ 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm
MeadKreiger Meadery
425 N Washington Ave
Loveland, CO 80537

Raise your horns and join us for a night of mead, meat, and legendary merriment as we celebrate the Fall Equinox with the Loveland Meadkrieger!
Highlights include: live entertainment all night, SCA fighting tournament, epic live music, dazzling fire dancesr, workshops on rune carving, rope craft, and calligraphy, Hot Off the Grill food special by Grilmaster Roger, free giveaways and exciting prizes. Norse and Viking attire encouraged.
Admission is free, 21+ only
Event Site

A&S Collegium

September 20lth @8:00 am - 8:00 pm
912 Leroy Pl, Socorro, NM 87801

Their Majesties of the Kingdom of the Outlands annd Outlands University invite you to join us for Collegium. Classes will take place throughout the day. There will be indoor and outdoor space for arts, sciences, and marshalate classes, including a forge space and kitchen. Mobility impaired friendly. The Lodge is BONE DRY.
Event Site

S.T.A.G (Summer Tournament and Games)

September 26th @ 10 am - Septemver 28th @ 5 pm
312 29 Rd, Grand Junction, CO 81504

Camping event at (leashed) dog-friendly wet site. Full day of tournaments, games, and classes on Saturday.
Breakfast Saturday and Sunday and Saturday feast included in site fee: please RSVP here so the cooks know how many people to plan for.
Event Site

A Sworded Affaire

October 4 @ 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
The Menaul School
301 Menaul Blvd. NE
Albequerque, NM 87017
Event Site

Outlands Fall Crown Tournament

October 17 @ 5:00 pm – October 19 @ 6:00 pm
Golden Eagle Campground
710 Rock Creek Canyon Rd STE 200

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Check the Unser Hafen website or The Book of Faces for additional upcoming events and locations.

Populace Meeting

Virtual Populace Meeting

The third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm
Join with Google Meet: meet.google.com/fbz-auqx-iqi
Join by phone: +1 929-282-1162 PIN: 667 226 830#

For questions, contact seneschal@unserhafen.org

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Kingdom Calendar

Please visit
https://www.outlands.org/events
for the most up-to-date information.

Court of Unser Hafen

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Warden - Lord Alain du Chateau
Equerry - Hancarata Aethnen filia Cuneddae
Arts & Sciences Champion - Lord Gilbertus
Pencerdd Bard - Viðbjǫrn Orðlokarrto
Heads of Household - THL Cecilia Caterina de Firenze and Lord Eilifr Breiðskeggr

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Call for Letters of Intent

Chronicler

Call for Letters of Intent for the position of Chronicler, who creates and distributes this newsletter, using a free MailChimp account. Maintains list of subscribers in MailChimp..Also responsible for any graphics needed using Inkscaoe (free).

Social Media

Call for Letters of Intent for the position of Social Media, who keeps social media accounts, such as Facebook, up to date with the latests news.

In your letter please include:

- A brief introduction to yourself, including your experience within the SCA and those skills you possess which make you a good candidate.
- Confirmation that you are indeed interested and desirous of the position.
- Optionally, you can provide a listing of awards you have received.
- Your modern name
- Your society/ SCA name.
- Your postal address.
- Your telephone number.

Officers must maintain SCA membership for the duration of their tenure.

Please send your letter to the following:

- The Unser Hafen Seneschal, Baroness Meadhbh Daingen int Slébh, via seneschal@unserhafen.org
- The Unser Hafen Baronesses Kitta and Safiyya, via baroness@unserhafen.org

Thank you for volunteering to help run our Barony!

More information can be found at: https://unserhafen.wixsite.com/unserhafen/call-for-officers

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Proviides loaner garb for newcomers
Lord Gilbertus de Messina

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Ladies Laurel M. & Valerie F.
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Social Media Officer
Manages social media accounts such as Facebook
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Quartermaster:
Coordinates storage, upkeep, and transportation of Baronial property
Looking for a replacement. See Call for Letters
Lord Galen FitzThomas
quartermaster@unserhafen.org

{Deputies are listed in brackets.}

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Awards and Recognitions

Hype your friends!

If it takes work, there's probably an award for it.
Information on how and why to recommend someone for an award and instructions on how to do so is available on the website.
A list of Baronial Awards can be found here.
A list of Kingdom Awards is available here.

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Wimble Herald

- http://wimble.outlandsheralds.org/index.php

Map to Medieval Night at Gryphon Games and Comics:

- https://www.google.com/maps/place/Gryphon+Games+and+Comics/@40.5518711,-105.0970032,18.33z/data=!4m6!3m5!1s0x87694b0722773bc9:0xfa91cd56d0a6fbe2!8m2!3d40.5517128!4d-105.0974072!16s%2Fg%2F1hc34g714?hl=en&authuser=0

Barony of Unser Hafen website:

- https://unserhafen.org

Barony of Unser Hafen Facebook page:

- https://www.facebook.com/BaronyOfUnserHafen/

- Map for Edora Park: https://www.google.com/maps/@40.5648628,-105.0512051,283m/data=!3m1!1e3?entry=ttu

Archery Website:

- https://unserhafen.wixsite.com/unserhafen/archery-summer

Kingdom Calendar:

- https://www.outlands.org/events

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